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ACTORS BEFORE THE CAMERA.

Some of Them Obliging and Some of Others.

"John McCullough, genial John, was one of the best of men to be photographed; he was always obliging. He was the best ideal of gentlemanly manhood. We were taking him in a large number of costumes one Sunday—oh, yes, that's the only day we can get for these people—and had come to Sparta. We had chosen the position, and it was one where he held his arm high above his head. After John had placed it there he said: 'How this reminds me of the time I went with Forrest to have the same thing done, and in this same position, and the tears came into his eyes. I tell you, John loved his master, Forrest, as few are loved. Charles R. Thorne, Jr., picture always had an immense sale, particularly at the time of the great run of the 'Banker's Daughter.' He went upon the principle that he was a public servant, and owed that much to it."

"Lester Wallace was a charming subject. We took him as Dangle in 'London Assurance,' and he kept us in the best of humor with his wit and brilliant conversation. John Gilbert, on the other hand, was as sedate and stately as he always is. He regarded it as an unpleasant duty, a sort of rehearsal. 'Sam'l of Pecos' Curtis was a peculiar one. He is a great fallow and is always wanting to tell you what he paid for everything he has on. One of the pleasantest and most jovial actors that I ever met was Sig. Rossi, the Italian. He played a great trick on our waiting maid, a dandy, by suddenly and unexpectedly appearing in costume before her and acting a bit for her sole benefit. She was so scared that she thought the great Rossi was crazy."

"Edwin Booth is one of the most difficult subjects; he abominates such things and refuses to sit under any circumstances. When he did for us he was unmanageable and wanted his own way, which more than once resulted in a poor picture. Mr. Boucault always assisted an artist by his good humor, and his wit is not kept for the stage alone. He always gets a good picture. Sig. Salvini is also wonderfully amiable under such circumstances. He came in and we took him in street costume once, and to our thanks he said, 'not at all; if I had more time you should have me in all my costumes.' William Warren is another man of men; he is the soul of good humor, and never fails of getting a good picture. Handsome George Hignold of Henry VIII. fame was an erratic fellow; he said he had rather go through a whole performance than sit for a picture; but his native vanity—you remember he was a good-looking fellow—always brought him round, and we took some fine photographs of him. Another of the same style was Harry Montague—whose death, it was said, threw thirty-two New York women into mourning. His pictures and Hignold's had a great sale, particularly among the fair sex. Mr. Irving is the only actor who ever ignored our request for a sitting, but Miss Terry came and gave us a sitting as Beatrice and proved a charming subject. Tom Gresham is always busy; John T. Raymond is also lively and active, and when giving us a sitting as Col. Mulberry Sellers, kept up a running fire of pleasantries.—Boston Times.

A Way Out of the Difficulty.

Old Dr. Hewson was distinguished for philanthropy. On one occasion the doctor had a case of malignant typhoid fever. He prescribed rest and nourishment for his patient.

"Give Dan plenty of chicken. He must have more nourishment."

"Shall I kill a chicken?"

"Yes, you'd better kill a young rooster; broil it well and add plenty of butter. Patients with typhoid fever like plenty of gravy."

Dan's wife killed, dressed and cooked a fine chicken.

"That's about right," said the doctor, who was superintending the job, as he enviously eyed the chicken.

"Dan, how're you feeling?"

"First rate, doctor, first rate."

"Let me feel your pulse."

Dan extended his arm and hand.

"You are more feverish than usual. I just ordered your wife to broil a chicken, but you can't eat it; you're too feverish."

"What shall we do doctor?" inquired the wife.

"I see no way out of the difficulty but to eat the chicken ourselves. I once suffered from typhoid fever myself, madam!"

—Troy Telegraph.

A Great Desire for Information.

The passion for statistics has broken out in a new form. A London "Intelligence" collector has been employed, probably at a fair compensation, to secure data upon which to base a calculation of the causes of failure in life, business and professional.

The following circular was sent to a large number of men over the age of 30:

"To what causes do you attribute your failure in life?"

1. Drink (say what drink).

2. Gambling (say, cards, or what).

3. Dis-honesty.

4. Unfortunate acquaintances.

5. Marriage.

6. Single life.

7. Disinclination to work.

8. Lending or borrowing (say which).

9. Unpopular views (political); unpopular views (religious); unpopular views (what form).

10. General incapacity.

11. Other causes; general remarks.

The responses to this comprehensive list of interrogatories will be most interesting. The plan may work in England, where men are presumably frank and willing to admit failure prior to the death-gasp, but it would never do in this country. The chances of picking up a profitable job are too good here to cushion loss of the game before it is finished.—Chicago News.

The Progress Made in Base Ball.

The game of base ball is now wonderfully perfect, and I never tire of looking at it, or thinking of the extraordinary strides it has taken in fifteen or twenty years. Why, when the old Empires and Unions used to play it was considered a wonderful performance for a man to catch a ball on the bound. I remember what astonishment it created at the base ball convention in 1869 when somebody proposed to abolish the first bound and make nothing, but it catches out in the field. Why, most of a rose up and protested against any such innovation as calculated to injure the game; and I was one of the most earnest opponents of the new scheme. It went through, though. Now we have nothing but fly catches, and the game of 1869 is entirely different from the game of 1860.—H. Clay Sexton in Globe Democrat.

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